

Clarendon Recreation Committee
SPECIAL MEETING
APPROVED Minutes
6-23-2016

Present: John McKenna, Tim Mumford, Roger Loomis (Committee members), Heather Kent (Public)

John called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. The agenda was approved by consensus.

Public Input - None

John reported on a meeting he had with a representative from Markowski Excavating and Mike Klopchin. Markowski won a bid to do further work at the airport which will result in more material becoming available to expand the recreation fields. The baseball field that was originally planned will be larger and closer to the level of the soccer field. This will, however, most likely result in the fields being available for use later than originally expected.

Discussion ensued regarding ways to improve public awareness of the recreation fields and the project currently under way. Some suggestions include: a mailing to residents, posters in various locations and a banner to be hung on the fence at the transfer station or at the current baseball field.

Other items discussed include: Determining if the area around the town forest was going to be used for logging operations and if those operations could assist in maintaining and/or improving the trails. The possibility of improving kayak access to Otter Creek was discussed with Roger offering to contact the local game warden(s) to get their opinions.

Heather reminded the committee that the total budget amount the committee requested, \$10,100, was put in the budget by the select board and approved by the voters in March. Discussion ensued regarding how to use the money in the budget given the delay in field availability. Several ideas were discussed. By consensus, it was determined that the best course of action would be to see how far along the fields are in the fall and plan according to that information.

Public Input - None

Tim motioned to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

The next meeting of the committee is yet to be determined based on availability of the members.

Respectfully submitted,
John McKenna